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Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 24 March 2005, which set a three-month shortened statutory period of response thereto, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows. A Petition for a two-month extension of time and the corresponding fee are filed concurrently herewith.